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In re Application of	:	
Espejo et al.	:	DECISION ON PETITION
Application No. 09/749,399	:	TO WITHDRAW
Filed: December 28, 2000	:	FROM RECORD
Attorney Docket No. 20009.0005USU1 (00-129)	:	

This is a decision on the Request to Withdraw as attorney or agent of record under 37 C.F.R. § 1.36(b), filed July 2, 2009.


The request is **NOT APPROVED**.

The Office strongly encourages practitioner(s) requesting withdrawal from representation as practitioner of record in an application to review the record to determine whether he or she is, in fact, of record and how he or she was made of record. For example, the practitioner(s) should determine whether he or she was appointed by naming each practitioner individually or through the use of a Customer Number. If the practitioner(s) was appointed by a specific designation, then the Request should ask that each specified practitioner be withdrawn and should list each practitioner(s) in the Request.

In the instant application, the practitioners were appointed via Customer Number. Therefore, requesting to withdraw specific individuals is not the appropriate course. Additionally, as set forth in MPEP 403(I), the addition or deletion of a practitioner from the list of persons associated with a Customer Number should be done by way of a Request for Customer Number Data Change (PTO/SB/124) and not a Request for Withdrawal As Attorney or Agent and Change of Correspondence Address (Form PTO/SB/83). It is noted, however, that the four attorneys listed in the Request to Withdraw are not currently on the Customer Number associated with the instant application.

All future communications from the Office will be directed to above-listed address until otherwise properly notified by the applicant or a proper change of correspondence address have been submitted.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-3206. All other inquiries concerning either the examination or status of the application should be directed to the Technology Center.


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